

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Scranton Richard</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O PACIRA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.</u> <u>5 SYLVAN WAY, SUITE 300</u> (Street) <u>PARSIPPANY NJ</u> <u>07054</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>06/14/2017</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Pacira Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [PCRX]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director _____ 10% Owner _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) _____ <u>Chief Scientific Officer</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	4,843 ⁽¹⁾	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	06/02/2027	Common Stock	20,000	44.1	D
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	12/07/2026	Common Stock	6,000	32.35	D
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	06/15/2026	Common Stock	6,250	40.34	D
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	06/03/2025	Common Stock	10,000	79.43	D
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	06/03/2024	Common Stock	10,000	81	D
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	03/05/2023	Common Stock	25,000	25.37	D
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	06/05/2022	Common Stock	14,698	10.81	D
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	06/05/2022	Common Stock	12,500	10.81	D
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	03/02/2022	Common Stock	3,010	10.52	D
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	12/02/2021	Common Stock	7,292	7.81	D

Explanation of Responses:

- Represents restricted stock units that vest as follows: (i) 2,500 restricted stock units that vest in two equal installments on June 3, 2018 and June 3, 2019, and (ii) 2,343 restricted stock units that vest in three equal annual installments on June 3, 2018, June 3, 2019 and June 3, 2020, in each case provided that the reporting person remains in continuous service with the issuer as of each vesting date. Each restricted stock unit represents the contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock.
- The stock option vests and becomes exercisable as to 25% of the option shares on May 29, 2018, and vests as to the remaining shares in successive equal quarterly installments over the subsequent three years, provided that the reporting person remains in continuous service with the issuer as of each vesting date.
- The stock option vests and becomes exercisable as to 25% of the option shares on the first anniversary of the grant date, and vests as to the remaining shares in successive equal quarterly installments over the subsequent three years, provided that the reporting person remains in continuous service with the issuer as of each vesting date.
- The stock options are fully vested.

Remarks:

/s/ Kristen Williams, Attorney-in-Fact 06/16/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

I, Richard Scranton, hereby authorize and designate each of Charles A. Reinhart, III, Kristen Williams and Ned Prusse, signing singly, as my true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

(1) execute for and on my behalf, in my capacity as an officer and/or director of Pacira Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and its affiliates (the "Company"), the Form ID and Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder;

(2) do and perform any and all acts for and on my behalf which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form ID or Form 3, 4 or 5 and timely file such form with the Securities and Exchange Commission, any stock exchange or similar authority; and

(3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be to my benefit, in my best interest, or legally required of me, it being understood that the statements executed by such attorney-in-fact on my behalf pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

I hereby further grant to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as I might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitutes or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. I hereby acknowledge that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at my request, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of my responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until I am no longer required to file the Form ID or Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to my holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by me in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have caused this Power of Attorney to be duly executed as of this 14th day of June, 2017.

/s/ Richard Scranton
Richard Scranton